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RE: Application Number: 09/688,933

Examiner Phan,

Per our phone conversation last week, here is the after final amendment that we request be entered. We are also submitting the amendment by courier. If the amendment is approved, please enter it and provide a supplemental Notice of Allowance, as we discussed.

If you have any question, concerns or comments, please contact us as soon as possible.

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Caroline Swindell

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated December 20, 2004, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.